- (ii) funds provided to a service provider under this chapter that are in excess of the costs associated with the services provided; and
- (iii) interest income earned on funds received under this chapter.
- (C) For purposes of this paragraph, each entity receiving financial assistance under this chapter shall maintain records sufficient to determine the amount of such income received and the purposes for which such income is expended.
- (8)(A) The Secretary shall notify the Governor and the appropriate local board and chief elected official of, and consult with the Governor and such board and official concerning, any activity to be funded by the Secretary under this chapter within the corresponding State or local area.
- (B) The Governor shall notify the appropriate local board and chief elected official of, and consult with such board and official concerning, any activity to be funded by the Governor under this chapter within the corresponding local area.
- (9)(A) All education programs for youth supported with funds provided under part D of subchapter II of this chapter shall be consistent with applicable State and local educational standards.
- (B) Standards and procedures with respect to awarding academic credit and certifying educational attainment in programs conducted under such part shall be consistent with the requirements of applicable State and local law, including regulation.
- (10) No funds available under this chapter may be used for public service employment except as specifically authorized under this chapter.
- (11) The Federal requirements governing the chapter, use, and disposition of real property, equipment, and supplies purchased with funds provided under this chapter shall be the Federal requirements generally applicable to Federal grants to States and local governments.
- (12) Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to provide an individual with an entitlement to a service under this chapter.
- (13) Services, facilities, or equipment funded under this chapter may be used, as appropriate, on a fee-for-service basis, by employers in a local area in order to provide employment and training activities to incumbent workers—
  - (A) when such services, facilities, or equipment are not in use for the provision of services for eligible participants under this chapter:
  - (B) if such use for incumbent workers would not have an adverse affect 1 on the provision of services to eligible participants under this chapter; and
  - (C) if the income derived from such fees is used to carry out the programs authorized under this chapter.

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## CHAPTER 31—ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES

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## § 3001. Findings and purposes

## (a) Findings

Congress finds the following:

- (1) Over 54,000,000 individuals in the United States have disabilities, with almost half experiencing severe disabilities that affect their ability to see, hear, communicate, reason, walk, or perform other basic life functions.
- (2) Disability is a natural part of the human experience and in no way diminishes the right of individuals to—
  - (A) live independently;
  - (B) enjoy self-determination and make choices;
    - (C) benefit from an education;
    - (D) pursue meaningful careers; and
  - (E) enjoy full inclusion and integration in the economic, political, social, cultural, and educational mainstream of society in the United States.
- (3) Technology is one of the primary engines for economic activity, education, and innovation in the Nation, and throughout the world. The commitment of the United States to the development and utilization of technology is one of the main factors underlying the strength and vibrancy of the economy of the United States.
- (4) As technology has come to play an increasingly important role in the lives of all persons in the United States, in the conduct of business, in the functioning of government, in the fostering of communication, in the conduct of commerce, and in the provision of education, its impact upon the lives of individuals with disabilities in the United States has been comparable to its impact upon the remainder of the citizens of the United States. Any development in mainstream technology will have profound implications for individuals with disabilities in the United States.
- (5) Substantial progress has been made in the development of assistive technology devices, including adaptations to existing devices that facilitate activities of daily living that significantly benefit individuals with disabilities of all ages. These devices, including adaptations, increase involvement in, and reduce expenditures associated with, programs and activities that facilitate communication, ensure independent functioning, enable early childhood development, support educational achievement, provide and enhance employment options, and enable full participation in community living for individuals with disabilities. Access to such devices can also reduce expenditures associated with early childhood

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> So in original. Probably should be "effect".